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BRITTAN ESTATE HEIRS CONTEST SUBMITTED TO COURT

The account of Frederick Kendall, special administrator of the estate of N. J. Brittan, deceased, was before Judge Buck on Thursday and late yesterday afternoon it was submitted to the court for a decision. The account was filed some time ago by Kendall. The accounts of Belle J. Moore and Mrs. Carmelita B. Kendall, the executrices of the estate were also filed some time ago.

The executrices could not agree on one account so two separate reports were filed.

Ernest W. Hewson, surviving husband of Natalie Brittan Hewson, deceased, some time ago objected to the account of the money disbursed by Frederick Kendall, as special administrator and Belle J. Moore and Carmelita B. Kendall, as executrices. These objections were taken up by the court yesterday and passed upon.

Hewson objects, among other things, to the alleged failure of Mr. and Mrs. Kendall to pay rent for the use of the old Kendall mansion at San Carlos and calls attention to the fact that neither Kendall nor his wife has credited the estate with any rentals from the homestead. Hewson also makes objections to payments made by the Kendalls to servants and hired help on the Brittan ranch, which, he says, should have been paid by the Kendalls themselves.

The disagreement between the heirs is also complicated by an objection filed by Mrs. Moore (formerly Belle Brittan) to the first account filed by her sister and co-executrix, Mrs. Kendall. Mrs. Moore, in her objection makes the same allegation as Hewson, that the Kendalls have failed to pay the estate for the use of the old family home.

A decision will be rendered by the court very shortly. The estate is appraised at nearly \$400,000 and is heavily indebted. The account filed by the special administrator and executrices are the first since their appointment in 1912.

REDWOOD CITY LODGE OF MASON TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Redwood City Lodge F. and A. M. will install officers for the term next Friday evening. The event will bring a large attendance to the meeting. Several of the grand officers from San Francisco are to be present. Following are the officers to be installed: Ben Zimmerman, Worshipful Master; Otto Offermann, Senior Warden; Harry Potts, Junior Warden; L. P. Behrens, Treasurer; W. A. Crowell, Secretary.

MRS. GRACE FLAGG STARTS DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS

Sarah A. Flagg has commenced divorce proceedings in the superior court against her husband, Winfield J. Flagg, on the ground of desertion. The couple was married at Hammond, Indiana on October 16, 1906 and separated on July 30, 1916. They have two minor children, Jackson Flagg, aged 7 years and Don Flagg, aged 3 years. Plaintiff asks for the custody of the minors and the sum of \$40 a month alimony. J. J. Bullock is the attorney for plaintiff.

GROVE LAWRENCE APPOINTED MEMBER DRAFT BOARD

Grove Lawrence, assistant superintendent of the Spring Valley Water company was yesterday appointed a member of the San Mateo County Draft board to succeed Henry P. Bowie of Hillsborough, who was compelled to resign owing to ill health. The appointment was made by Governor Stephens on recommendation of the County Council of Defense.

The new personnel of the board is George A. Merrill, chairman; Grove Lawrence and Horace W. Amphlett, secretary. Amphlett succeeded Judge E. E. Cunningham of South San Francisco, who also resigned owing to poor health.

Lawrence is a brother of William B. Lawrence, superintendent of the Spring Valley and a member of the County Council of Defense. He lives at Millbrae.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUILDING COMMITTEE HIGHLY PRAISED

A. J. Bagley, superintendent for all K. of C. buildings constructed in the different cantons throughout the country, arrived here from Washington recently and has made a thorough investigation and has detailed an elaborate report concerning the building. He has reported that the building at Camp Fremont and the one at Camp Kearny are the best constructed buildings out of the ninety-eight constructed in the other cantons. The contract price was lower than the other buildings, and better construction work was secured. The report also gives the Committee in charge of the work at Camp Fremont great praise for the splendid location of the building and for the promptness with which the committee did its work. The committee will meet tonight at Camp Fremont and will attend to all the business connected with the construction of the new building. Three secretaries have been appointed as well as a boxing instructor, one janitor and two men to take charge of the canteen. This constitutes the full working force and will now handle all recreation. It is understood that the Redwood City high school will have a number of its teachers instruct in short hand and English one night a week in the building and another night in the Y. M. C. A. building. Prof. Myers will have charge of the shorthand instruction and the other teachers the English.

The local committee will receive a portion of the funds derived from the present drive in San Francisco for maintenance. Up to this time all expenses have been paid by the National Committee of the K. of C. The amount expended to date is about \$10,000. A big portion of the present and future expenses will be paid by the National Committee.

NEW PROPRIETOR TAKES CHARGE OF HOTEL SEQUOIA

A. J. Fromm and family leave today to resume their residence in Alameda where Mr. Fromm owns considerable choice realty. Mr. Fromm will not engage in any business for some time to come.

C. J. Ahlborn, the new proprietor, has taken charge of the Hotel Sequoia and is doing a splendid business. His wife, son and daughter-in-law arrived from San Francisco on Thursday to assist in the management of the hotel. Mr. Ahlborn is a public spirited business man and he and his estimable wife will be quite an acquisition to Redwood City.

WILL ENLARGEMENT OF CAMP FREMONT GARRISON BENEFIT REDWOOD CITY?—IT'S UP TO PEOPLE HERE

That Camp Fremont is to be a permanent mobilization and training point for the army is now a certainty. The announcement that it is to be made a divisional headquarters is an assurance that within a short time it will be occupied by a large body of troops. In fact the first material increase in the number of soldiers to be quartered there has already been made.

While this news is welcome, it should be a reminder of the duties the people of this city owe the soldiers as well as of the opportunities it offers. Are the people of Redwood City doing their full duty to these men? Are we offering them the opportunities for recreation they have a right to expect at our hands? Are we taking advantage of the opportunities the coming of these men almost into our midst offers?

The life of a soldier in garrison duty, especially in these times, is a hard and exacting one. Under any conditions garrison life is exacting and monotonous, surrounded as it must be by strict regulation. To young men full of life and vigor this soon becomes irksome unless opportunities are afforded, not alone for ordinary methods of recreation and rest, but for complete change of environment. The soldier can no more be expected to obtain complete rest and recuperation within the surroundings of the garrison than could a mechanic compelled to remain during the hours he is not on duty within the shop where his working hours are spent. Each must for a time get away from his "shop" surroundings.

Within easy reach of the camp, Redwood City offers an ideal place for just the class of relief which these men require. But they must be

afforded an opportunity to do something more than wander about the streets—not always an attractive amusement, especially on cool evenings. Some place should be provided where these men can feel free to congregate and amuse themselves or be amused, as conditions may indicate. This should be a place where they can be made to feel welcome without cost to themselves, as well as free to act, of course within reason, as their desires may prompt. This should be a place at once roomy and attractive, and with centrally located, and surrounded with no more than the absolutely necessary supervision or restriction. Opportunities for games such as young men full of life and vigor are wont to indulge in should be provided, as well as accommodation for reading and writing. This is a patriotic duty we owe these young men, who are preparing to suffer untold hardships for our benefit, perhaps to offer their lives in a cause which is our cause.

But there is another side to this question, perhaps not quite so praiseworthy, but yet quite natural. This is the selfish view of the opportunity offered. Redwood City wants these men to come into her midst. While the pay of a soldier, even under war conditions, is none too large, it yet affords him money to spend, both for his needs and pleasures. And as a rule he is ready to spend it, and spend it freely. Thus it will be found that Camp Fremont can easily be made a valuable adjunct to our commercial life.

We want these men to come, and undoubtedly many of them will want to come, and that frequently, if they can be made to feel that they are welcomed and that they will be treated

fairly. The soldier is not looking for charity, does not expect it, but at the same time he, like any other man, must feel that he is given full worth for the money he spends and that he is welcome for himself as well as for his money.

To accomplish these desired objects several things are required. First of all, we must see that the cost of transportation between the camp and this city is kept at a reasonable figure. This is a matter that is entirely in the hands of the city authorities and can be easily accomplished. With the prospects of increased travel, the rate already established would seem to be a fair one and should be adhered to in the future.

That the establishment and maintenance of a place of amusement such as we have indicated will require no inconsiderable fund there is no question. Yet this should be easily obtained. Business men of the city, all of whom will undoubtedly directly profit by the presence of these soldiers, should willingly contribute a share. A portion of the expense might well come directly from the funds of the city. No taxpayer could reasonably object to this expenditure, for every citizen will derive a benefit. Whatever adds to the life of the city whatever adds to its business opportunities adds to the benefit of all. With more business there will be more opportunities for employment, more demands for stores and residences.

If these things are to be accomplished, there must be immediate and organized action. Possibly this might well come through the Chamber of Commerce, as a matter of public interest. But, whatever the source, it should be immediate and energetic.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT APPORTIONS SCHOOL FUNDS

County Superintendent of Schools, Roy W. Cloud, this week apportioned \$170,222.08 to the kindergarten grammar and high schools of San Mateo county. Following are the amounts allotted to each district:

Grammar Schools	
District	Special County
Bell	\$ 83.67 \$ 359.30
Belmont	901.97 552.90
Greensburg	2926.81 6432.50
Half Moon Bay	1853.30
Higgins	356.40
Hillsborough	1805.01 777.40
Jefferson	3649.88 13465.00
Laguna	328.20
La Honda	133.64 356.40
Las Lomas	673.29 816.20
Menlo Park	919.84 1280.70
Millbrae	1507.11 1527.60
Miramar	361.00
Montara	891.40
Pescadero	1241.90
Pigeon Point	398.70
Pillaritos	103.06 365.80
Pomponio	370.50
Portola	402.23 598.06
Purisima	375.20
Ravenswood	1158.11 375.20
Redwood City	6204.54 7476.70
San Bruno	1992.23 3645.50
San Gregorio	332.90
San Mateo	7944.24 12123.20
San Pedro	398.70
Seaside	598.60
South San Francisco	2031.37 7854.70
Sunnyvale	342.30
Tobin	224.29 337.60
Tunis	384.60
Visitation	394.00
West Union	311.07 389.30
Wurr	91.85 370.50
Fairview	42.90

Kindergarten Schools	
Burlingame	\$870.47
Redwood City	647.62
San Bruno	718.03
San Mateo	1829.88
South San Francisco	872.92

High Schools	
Half Moon Bay	\$ 5746.61
San Mateo Day School	28,945.80
San Mateo Evening School	1970.00
Sequoia	17,532.84
South San Francisco	6451.47

AR New Deputy Recorder

County Recorder Will Barg has appointed Mrs. Mary E. Jermeland of San Mateo his chief deputy to fill the vacancy caused by resignation of Miss Spence.

The new deputy is one of the most popular and prominent young ladies of San Mateo. She was formerly Miss Mary E. Craven. During the regime of Thomas Byrnes as postmaster of San Mateo she was a deputy in the office giving splendid satisfaction at all times and pleasing the many patrons of the office.

Mrs. Jermeland is a clever accountant, a courteous and obliging young woman who will become popular with all patrons of the recorder's office. We bespeak success for her in her new position.

MAJOR POPE CORRECTS RUMOR CONCERNING HOTEL MANAGER

Major Benjamin Pope, provost marshal of Camp Fremont, is not only a brave officer and an efficient commander but a just and honorable gentleman as well. Some time ago he had occasion to insist on the closing of Sequoia hotel bar for infraction of the law. He has since discovered that the proprietor of the hotel was the innocent victim of an irresponsible employee. The Major in the following letter sent to the Times-Gazette for publication desires to lay any unjust criticisms of the proprietor:

Some time ago it was necessary for me in the performance of my duty to take steps toward having the license revoked of the Sequoia Hotel bar in your city. The evidence upon which I acted was sufficient, but I wish it distinctly understood that there was not the slightest suspicion of wrong-doing upon the part of the management involved in this case. These good people are the innocent victims of an unlawful act committed on their premises by an irresponsible employee and nothing more.

It has come to my attention that they have been subjected to much criticism and unkindly comment, and it is this that explains the motive back of this letter. If I can allay this unjust suspicion and stop the unkind remarks I will again have done my duty. Ascribing an unworthy act to these good people in this matter is slanderous and malicious, and the guilty purveyors of such matter should be dealt with under the law.

Very respectfully,
BENJAMIN POPE,
Major 13th Infantry,
Provost Marshal

DEFENDANT WINS DIVORCE SUIT ON CROSS-COMPLAINT

On Wednesday Judge Buck handed down his decision in the case of Sweet against Sweet, a divorce action commenced by Archer Sweet against his wife, Eda Sweet, upon the ground of cruelty, after the papers in the suit were served upon Mrs. Sweet she retaliated by filing a cross-complaint against Sweet, in which she charged him with cruelty.

The case was tried on Dec. 24th last. Joseph Gordon and Mr. Echhoff appearing for Mr. Archer Sweet and Attorney Joseph J. Bullock appearing on behalf of Mrs. Sweet.

The court determined that the defendant and cross-complaint was entitled to judgment and awarded a divorce to Mrs. Eda Sweet.

SWIMMING CLUB ENJOYS NEW YEAR'S PLUNGE

The members of the Redwood City Swimming club enjoyed a plunge in the waters of the bay off the wharf of the Redwood City Harbor company on New Year's day. The outing was so successful that the club plans to make it an annual event.

The following members participated: John Layne, Frank Reynolds, George Kreiss, Stephen Kreiss, Frank Thompson, Earl Crockett, and E. T. Thompson.

SUPERINTENDENT CLOUD FILLS VACANCIES ON SCHOOL BOARDS

Superintendent of Schools Roy W. Cloud during the week appointed school trustees to fill vacancies in the various districts of the county as follows:

Warr District—A. F. Blomquist in place of Frank E. Weeks, who is at Camp Lewis.
Sunnyside District—Arthur Teague in place of Henry Ward Beecher who moved away from the district, and Miss Alma I. Roy in place of J. F. Chenoweth who has moved to Oakland.

AIRCRAFT COMPANY FILES ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The United States Aircraft Company on Thursday filed articles of incorporation in the county recorder's office. The capital stock of the company is \$300,000 divided into 3,000 shares at a par value of \$100 each. The directors are H. S. Howard, Sterling Carr, L. S. Ellis, R. C. Stewart and Joseph Smyth, all of San Francisco.

The company expects to begin work at the Christofferson plant, which it recently acquired, in a few days.

Timothy Roe, a prominent farmer of San Gregorio, was in town yesterday calling on friends. Mr. Roe is one of the best known ranchers in the county.

CAMP FREMONT BUSILY ENGAGED PREPARING FOR NEW TROOPS

These are busy days at Camp Fremont. The quartermaster's department is overwhelmed with work preparing for the big influx of troops who will arrive today. All week small bodies of men have been coming in to fill units at the camp. Today 10,000 men will march into camp from the Presidio. They left San Francisco on Wednesday encamping on the way. Everything is in readiness for them.

Dozens of officers to the camp are constantly arriving and reporting, while the immense amount of clerical work made necessary by the new orders of things is keeping busy the entire office force from commanding officers to quartermaster private.

Brigade headquarters of the Sixteenth infantry brigade is now being organized at the camp. This brigade will consist of the eighth and the thirteenth infantry regiments now stationed at the camp and of the 62d machine gun battalion, which is being organized there. A detachment of cavalry arrived at the camp yesterday morning to form the headquarters troop to be attached to brigade headquarters for guard and similar duty.

The twelfth and 62d infantry regiments, which are to form the other brigade of the eighth division, will arrive at camp some time next week. It is understood. Upon their arrival Col. E. F. Taggart of the twelfth will assume command by virtue of seniority.

A number of officers reported for duty yesterday with the 319th engineer regiment, which is to be a part of the eighth division.

A field signal battalion will also

CONCRETE SHIP TO BE LAUNCHED HERE ON MARCH FIRST

The new concrete ship being built by the San Francisco Ship Building Company will be launched on March first at the mouth of the bay near Redwood. Should the vessel prove a success all indications are that it will begin a new era in ship building on the Pacific coast. This vessel was built at a cost of \$750,000. It is to be the first concrete ship built in the United States. If it is a success the company will be unable to handle the many orders it will receive. Already the company has orders for three ships of big dimensions.

M. L. Cummins is the president of the company which is capitalized for \$2,000,000. It is fair to presume that Redwood City is shortly to become a big ship building center and that many hundred men will be employed here. There are now 100 men at work on the new vessel. The company will shortly be equipped to the extent that it will be able to turn out a ship every three months. New ways are to be constructed and every modern means used to turn out work very rapidly.

It was announced yesterday that the government had taken over 70,000 acres of land in this vicinity for a rifle range and that 50,000 men would be stationed at Camp Fremont. The camp will extend from Los Altos to Belmont skirting the foothills for many miles. It is to be the largest rifle range in the world. Here nearly all of Uncle Sam's soldiers will undergo their target practice and become expert shots. This vicinity is certainly going to experience a boom such as was never dreamed of by the "oldest inhabitant."

Capt. J. B. Chaffey, constructing quartermaster at Camp Fremont, has received orders from Washington to "remain on the job" until further orders.

According to arrangements previously made, charge of all construction work was to have been turned over to Capt. W. E. Everts, camp quartermaster, yesterday, and the contract with the Lindgren Company was to have been terminated.

All buildings in the main camp have been turned over to the camp quartermaster. Virtually all that remains to be done in the way of construction work is the installation of plumbing in the base hospital and the machine gun range.

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Phelps street lot adjoining above, 46 feet 10 inches \$500
N. W. corner Phelps and Buckley, 100 foot front \$1,250
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Laurel street, 100 feet from Heller four 25 ft lots..... \$150 each
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FARM LABOR FOR 1918

The farm labor problem during the season of 1918 is receiving, as it should receive, the careful study of men who are striving to keep food production up to the requirements of this country and its allies. There was a shortage of farm labor in 1917. In some instances the scarcity of help was so great that farmers were unable to save all their crops, thus losing at harvest time some of the crops upon which they had expended seed and labor through the spring and summer. The danger is that in view of this experience many of them will sow or plant a smaller acreage in 1918.

This must not be permitted to occur, and it is well that early action be taken to assure the farmer that he can reasonably expect help enough to gather his crops next autumn. Professor H. C. Taylor, agricultural economist at the University of Wisconsin is one who fully realizes the importance of the farm labor problem and has begun early agitation of the need of solving it. He insists that there are two classes upon which the country should draw upon for help in the emergency—retired farmers who have become independent and moved to town, and the boys and girls of the villages and cities who have not heretofore been enlisted in the crop gathering task. Professor Taylor estimates that there are a million of the retired farmers who could be called once more to the field. Quite likely many of them are past the age of hard labor, but their successful experience should make the invaluable in overseeing the work of youths from the city who know little or nothing about farm work.

Another class could be added to these two by the forced employment of idlers. While it is true that the confirmed idler is likely to be more trouble than help on a farm, there are large numbers who are in the habit of working only a few weeks each year or living off the earnings of others, but who could be induced to render useful service on the farm if a pronounced public opinion and perhaps some local legislation could be made to act as a spur or inspiration.

Next spring or summer will not be the time to take up the farm labor problem. We have had enough of delay in preparedness. By legislation, education and organization we should at this opportune time, take every possible action that will insure the farmer all the help available for the planting, care and harvesting of his crops. There should be not merely a probability but a certainty that no idler will be shirking in the loafing places of cities and villages as long as there is a farmer needing help to kill weeds in his garden or put his crops in the bin.

FINE FOR JAPAN

Imports from Japan for the first nine months of the current year totaled \$181,240,000, compared with \$68,000,000 for the last nine months under protection, ended September, 1913. Total United States trade carried in Japanese bottoms for the 1913 period, valued at \$63,000,000, for the 1917 period at nearly \$500,000,000. The war and the tariff team for Japan. It was reported some time back that steps were to be taken to restrict gold exports to Japan in payment of her balances against us, but \$13,500,000 in gold was exported to that country for September, 1917, compared with \$3,685,000 for September 1916. Total exportation of gold to Japan for the first nine

months of this year, \$155,500,000. With that money Japan is developing her cotton manufacturing industry, and her merchant marine, competition with both of which we are already beginning to experience.

Halfmoon Bay Notes

Pescadero takes pride in calling herself the white, the spotless town. Not many may know upon what grounds Pescadero bases her claim to this cognomen. The San Mateo News offers the following explanation: Years ago a sailing vessel went ashore on the rocks at Pigeon Point, several miles below Pescadero, and broke up. A part of the vessel's cargo consisted of white lead. The paint had not been damaged and large quantities of it were salvaged. This was put to good use for soon after every building in Pescadero took on a coat of white.

A Greek laborer employed by the Ocean Shore railroad was drowned last week near Green Canyon while gathering mussels. He had ventured out on an exposed rock and a huge breaker washed him into the sea and he perished.

Mrs. Geo. Azevedo was called to San Diego last Thursday on account of the sudden and serious illness of her daughter Julia (Mrs. Victor Gonzales) who had gone there the week previous to visit her husband at Camp Linda Vista. Mrs. Azevedo left immediately for the southern part of the state. Miss Belle Vallejo accompanied her.

Another former resident of Half Moon Bay passed away this week in San Francisco. Mrs. Mary E. Wilson Hale. She was born in Michigan, crossed the plains in an ox team drawn "prairie schooner", arriving in California in 1851. Her family settled in San Mateo county as early as 1856. They were associated in the cattle business with Robert Campbell, the father of Mary Campbell and Mrs. Margaret Finnegan, now residents of Half Moon Bay. She married Franklin Hale in 1856 and became the mother of nine children, seven of whom are still living. At the time of her death Mrs. Hale was the grandmother of 18, and the great grandmother of 12 descendants, all of whom are living. Four of her own sons acted as pall bearers. Deceased lived for many years in Half Moon Bay, moving later to Ocean View and then to San Francisco where she lived at the time of her death.

Rev. Fr. Sorasio announces the following Masses. San Gregorio, 9 a. m.; Half Moon Bay 11 a. m. New Year's day, Pescadero 9 a. m.; Half Moon Bay 11 a. m.

The M. E. church was crowded to the doors last Sunday evening by an eager audience when the annual Christmas program was given by the Sunday school. There was a large beautiful Christmas tree. Stereoscopic views of Christmas scenes were shown. Candy, oranges and nuts were distributed among the children.

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Churches Services

Congregational Church
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The evening service at 7:30, the pastor will preach on "Some New Year's Resolutions".
 Vocal solo, "No Night There", by Miss Bertha Crowell.
 Rally around the camp fire during the half hour social time for men in uniform.

Sunday school 9:45; Senior and Intermediate Societies at 6:30. The public is cordially invited.

Baptist Church
 The services at the Baptist church Sunday evening will be of special interest to soldiers and those who are interested in soldier life. Mr. Duckworth of the 8th Infantry, Camp Fremont will speak. His subject will be "A Christian Soldier in the Ranks". Special music will be provided. This is the "Church of the Common People" and a cordial greeting will be extended to all. Service begins at 7:30.

LOREN COBURN AND AGED WIFE APPEAR IN COURT AGAIN

Loren Coburn, the nonagenarian and millionaire land owner of Pescadero, and his aged wife, Mrs. Sarah Satira Coburn, appeared in the superior court here Wednesday to testify in their suit against the "mysterious James Sexton of Los Angeles" to quiet title to part of the Coburn properties.

A few years ago proceedings were brought to have Coburn declared incompetent by the court and as evidence of his alleged incapacity, a deed was produced in which Coburn had conveyed part of his valuable holdings to one James Sexton. Who Sexton was and where he lived remains a mystery, and Coburn said he could not remember having signed such a deed.

The suit which came on for hearing Wednesday was brought by the Coburns to nullify the deed. The aged couple were represented by Attorneys Chubb and Hickey and the defendant did not appear. The Judge Buck and he has given judgment to the aged capitalist.

A COMING WAR LECTURE

On January 11th there is to be a lecture of very great interest to all who desire to be in vital touch with the movements of the war forces, given at the Baptist church. Mr. Sidney Coryn of San Francisco will be the lecturer, and his subject will be "The Battle of the Marne". This battle is pronounced the greatest single battle of all history, and Mr. Coryn is an expert on the topography and movements of the war forces in Europe. He has lectured extensively on this subject and other battles in San Francisco. The lecture will be illustrated by stereoscopic slides.

COUPLE ARRESTED IN REDWOOD LODGING HOUSE

A man giving the name of Carl Musso and a Mrs. Smith, who has been operating a restaurant at Menlo Park, were arrested by the Redwood City morals squad in a lodging house on Broadway New Year's night. They were taken before Justice of the Peace Seely and released on bail after the court had ordered them to appear today for trial.

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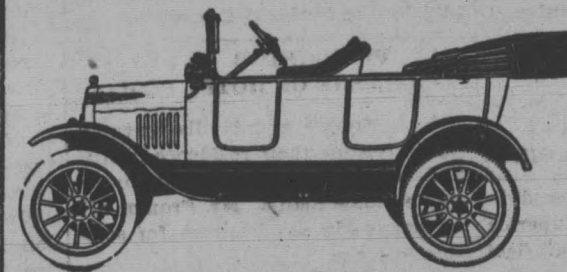
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THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN LOCAL CIRCLES

Redwood City as Seen Through Incidents Gathered Here and There

The first general order from the government in the operation of the railroads to reach the local depot yesterday was one cancelling advertising contracts. Evidently this expense will be eliminated under the new regime.

If you have Watch trouble see watch doctor, George Peterson, 214 Main street, Sequoia Hotel Building, Redwood City.

Judge Buck on Thursday granted an interlocutory decree of divorce to Del Redufek from her husband, G. A. Rudebeck on the ground of extreme cruelty. Plaintiff was allowed alimony in the sum of \$30 a month. F. A. Reynolds represented the plaintiff.

F. A. Reynolds, the popular local attorney, departed yesterday on a business trip to New York. While there he will assist in the settlement of an estate of a relative appraised at over \$100,000. Mr. Reynolds expects to return to California by the middle of February.

D. J. Lynch, deputy assessor, came over from Half Moon Bay yesterday. Between the postoffice and the First National Bank he dropped \$40 in currency from his pocket. Anyone finding the money and returning it to him will be handsomely rewarded.

A soldier at Camp Fremont while riding to San Francisco on Wednesday on a government motorcycle, was stalled at Berkeley. He decided to leave the machine there and go to San Francisco to secure some new parts for the motor. When he arrived from the city he discovered that the motor was taken apart by four boys and packed away. The lads Guy R. Wilson was arrested by Nightwatchman Douglas on Wednesday in this city for not having a registration card. He failed to register last June. He is 26 years of age and came to Redwood City from Pittsburg, California. He came to the coast originally from Oklahoma. On Thursday he was turned over to the federal authorities. Wilson up until recently worked at Camp Fremont.

"Submarine", Carl Plump's pet dog was run over by an automobile on Main street last week and instantly killed. Mr. Plump would not have taken \$100 for the animal. It was two years old and a great favorite at Mr. Plump's store. The clerks about the place arranged a crude coffin for the faithful animal and buried it in the back yard of the store. The grave was strewn with flowers by Louis Foley, Mr. Plump's assistant.

Miss Jennie Larrouy who has resigned her position with the California Pacific Title Insurance Company, has no announcement to make as to her future plans. It is rumored that this popular young lady has joined the ranks of the ringed belles of this community and will "go south" and "carry on" as a consequence. Early spring may see her in France. Congratulations are in order.

Michael Barucic of San Jose was arrested by Corporal Blessing of Camp Fremont in this city on Thursday evening for bootlegging. It is said that Barucic was recently found guilty of a similar charge in the Garden City. The corporal knew he was in town and approaching him asked Barucic to secure him a flask of whiskey. In a few minutes the

San Josean returned with the liquor and was placed under arrest.

Free Piano Exchange, 111 Kearney St., San Francisco. Pianos bought, sold, exchanged. Player pianos traded for pianos. Fine standard action player piano, \$75 cash delivers it to your home. See Shottler, 313 Main St. Redwood City for particulars.

James Redmond, only son of Mrs. Redmond of this city, will leave in a few days for San Pedro to enter the naval training station there. He enlisted some time ago and during the week received a letter from the government notifying him to be ready for duty in a few days.

Among the many Holiday festivities one of the most delightful was the dance given by the Wednesday Eve Social club in Foresters hall. The strains of music from an orchestra of young local people were wafted over the heads of happy dancers to the goodly crowd of chaperons who thoroughly enjoyed themselves just looking on and listening, every Wednesday evening. Menlo and Belmont were both well represented and spoke of making it a regular night with themselves.

Weller A. Stead, formerly in the undertaking business in this city, has purchased the branches of N. Gray & Company in Burlingame and South San Francisco and hereafter will conduct both establishments under his own name. Stead has been N. Gray & Company's manager in San Mateo county for several years past.

Julia, the eleven months old daughter of E. Aragon of Redwood City, died on January first after a short illness from pneumonia.

J. W. Lowe, the pioneer well-borer, is prospecting for water on a portion of the Brittan tract recently purchased by C. C. Morse seed company. Mr. Lowe is certain of securing a good supply of water on the property. The seed company contemplates establishing a big seed farm on the tract. The soil is fertile and capable of raising any variety of seeds. The Morse company has large seed farms at Gilroy and in the Sacramento valley. It is one of the largest growers in the west and perhaps in the country.

The grand jury was in session Wednesday and Thursday. The members of the inquisitorial body will not divulge the object of the session. Three members of the board of supervisors were called before the jury on Thursday. It is understood an adjournment will be taken by the jury on the latter part of the month. No sensations are expected in the report the jury will make.

Applies for Letters
Lena Phoebeovius has applied in the superior court for letters of administration upon the estate of John Huber, who died in the Territory of Alaska on June 10, 1917. The estate consists of lots 12, 13 and 14, block C, Mission Street Land Company's tract near Colma valued at \$1000. The heirs at law are Joseph Huber, residing at Daly City, Charles Huber, living in San Mateo county, and Lena Phoebeovius, a sister living in San Francisco and Baby Menestrey, aged four years, a child of Christina Menestrey, a deceased sister.

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First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	\$26,924,751.03
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Banking Premises, Furniture, Fixtures and Safe Deposit	3,341,000.00
Valuables (Head Office and Branches)	168,434.23
Other Real Estate	1,215,590.08
Customers' Liability Under Letters of Credit	388,787.97
Other Resources	
United States, State, Municipal and Other Bonds	\$13,308,176.52
CASH	13,054,774.69
	26,362,951.21
Total	\$77,473,152.79

LIABILITIES

*Capital Paid Up	\$3,000,000.00
Surplus	\$811,600.00
Undivided Profits	288,400.00
	1,100,000.00
Dividends Unpaid	112,834.00
Letters of Credit	1,215,590.08
DEPOSITS	72,044,728.71
Total	\$77,473,152.79

A. P. Giannini and A. Pedrini, being each, separately duly sworn each for himself, says that said A. P. Giannini is President and that said A. Pedrini is Cashier of the Bank of Italy, the Corporation above mentioned, and that every statement contained therein is true of his own knowledge and belief.

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The Story of Our Growth

December 31, 1901	\$285,438.97
December 31, 1905	\$1,500,847.28
December 31, 1909	\$2,574,004.90
December 31, 1910	\$6,533,936.14
December 31, 1912	\$11,228,814.56
December 31, 1914	\$18,030,401.59
December 31, 1916	\$39,805,995.24
December 31, 1917	\$77,473,152.79

Number of Depositors { December 31, 1916, 90,683
December 31, 1917, 141,298

Savings Deposits Made on or Before January 10, 1918, Will Earn Interest from January 1, 1918.

On June 15, 1918, Capital will be increased to \$5,000,000.00, fully paid.

REMINISCENCES OF GOOD OLD REDWOOD

Told By One Who Was There

How would you like to go back into the land of remembrance with me today to the old town that was a good town. The mud was sticky and it was dangerous to cross Broadway on a rainy day unless you went clear to the boards on the corner. Everybody knew everybody else in those days and if anybody was sick at your house the neighbors all came in and helped. I can remember the biggest building of all then, was the American House. It stood on the present location of the Wahl building just at the end of or beginning of Broadway. Do you remember the night it burned. My but it was a big fire. Everybody in town pretty nearly turned out to help the fire department and say but they did pump the old fire engine up and down. There were cisterns all around town in those days. The firemen ran a length of hose down into the cistern that night and then pumped until the well went dry. Well sir, I can remember how Pete Doyle and Johnny Glennan and Henry Offerman and Percy Jamieson and all the rest of them pumped and by golly but those boys of day before yesterday could pump and run. It doesn't seem more than just a little while ago that Charley Gould's chicken house caught fire and when Pat McCarthy tried to catch in on the running cart he fell and was run over and had his leg broken and after the fire we all ate hot roasted eggs.

And say, do you remember the revival meetings we used to have. My but they were meetings. Slater Clark had one in a great big tent where the new jail now stands. Everybody in town went. Dan Mullen and Charley Jacobus and everybody else. They used to sing hymns and then begin to talk and before the series was over all of the people who were not baptized went over to Conner's Pond just back of the school house and were immersed. My but there was a crowd to see it.

Speaking about immersions, do you remember that big rain storm we had late in '78 or early in '79. It came on suddenly while all the pupils were at school and almost before you could say Jack Robinson the crooks around the school were over their banks. (The school was near the present site of the new city hall.) The water kept rising and rising and pretty nearly every mother in town was crowded onto the Congregational church steps waiting for her Charley or Mary or Sally. Finally the men had to go over the bridge clear up to their middles and carry the youngsters over. I've forgotten who it was that carried Dora Horn (Mrs. J. F. Wilson) but he said that she was some load.

My but Redwood was a good town then. We all stole apples out at Brittons and Billy Brown who had charge knew we were doing it but somehow he would always just miss catching us. Then how we would brag about the narrow escape we had had.

Every day in Summer we went swimming at the Bend. We never knew what a bathing suit looked like and we dug clams and baked them and drank water from the same tin can but the microbes and the bacilli passed us by and we all had a good time. Believe me, Redwood was a good old town.

FREMONT WEEKLY CLUB TO GIVE WEEKLY DANCES HERE

The first weekly dance of the Fremont Liberty Club will take place this evening in Foresters hall. McGuire's Sympathetic Melody Fiends will furnish the music, and dancing will continue all night. This is the second affair of this kind given by this club and as the last dance was a most successful one there is no doubt but what a record crowd will be on hand tonight.

MRS. WULF GRANTED A FINAL DECREE OF DIVORCE

Judge Buck on Friday last granted a final decree of divorce to Grace M. Wulff from her husband, Alfred Wulff. The interlocutory decree of divorce was granted on December 26, 1916. Mrs. Wulff was permitted to resume her maiden name, Grace M. Dolan.

Mrs. Nell Ryan Granted a Divorce
Judge Buck on Thursday granted an interlocutory decree of divorce to Nell Ryan from her husband, John J. Ryan on the ground of desertion and failure to provide. The Ryans resided at Daly City. A. P. Black of San Francisco appeared as the attorney for plaintiff.

Appraiser Files Inventory
H. W. Schaberg, inheritance tax appraiser of the estate of John Colon Stafford, deceased, has filed his inventory and appraisement. Lots 4, 5 and 6, block 87, Eastern Addition to the Town of Redwood City are appraised at \$2000.

WOODSIDE NOTES
Mrs. James Athearn Folger has returned from Coronado, where she went to visit her daughter, Mrs. Jos. A. Donohoe, Jr., and her son, Jack Cunningham. The latter is with the army at Camp Kearny and Mrs. Donohoe went south to be near her husband, who is a member of the Grizzlies.

DOINGS ABOUT THE COUNTY OFFICES

Matters of General Interest to Litigants Called from the Public Records

PROBATE ORDERS—

Estate of Jeremiah P. O'Connor, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted. Attorney fees allowed in the sum of \$160.

Estate of James E. Husing, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate of Henry Smith, deceased. Order to show cause on sale of real estate granted.

Estate of Paul Peyre, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate and guardianship of Michael Callan, an incompetent person. Order to show cause on sale of real estate submitted.

Estate of Daniel T. Ambrose, deceased. Sale of real property confirmed.

COURT ORDERS—

Loren Coburn vs. James Sexton. Judgment ordered for plaintiff.

International Banking Co., vs. William Casey. Partial trial had and further trial continued to Jan. 17th.

Del Rudebeck vs. G. A. Rudebeck. Interlocutory decree of divorce is granted.

Archer B. Sweet vs. Eda M. Sweet. Plaintiff's prayer for a divorce is denied. Defendant's prayer for a divorce on her cross complaint is granted.

Jessie Day, a minor, vs. Peninsula Rapid Transit Co. Motion for a new trial heretofore submitted, following order made by court: "There are no sufficient grounds for a new trial other than that the judgment is too excessive. It is ordered that in case the plaintiff shall within ten days file her consent to the modification of that judgment herein and remitting all over and above \$1,500 and costs then said judgment be as modified and said motion for a new trial be and the same is hereby denied, but in case no such consent be filed then it is ordered that said motion for a new trial be and the same is hereby granted."

C. Rossi vs. B. Arata, et al. Trial continued to January 10th.

Ella M. Callopy, et al vs. United Railroad. Case set for February 26th.

Marbo Honderville vs. John Honderville. Order to show cause continued to January 10th.

Dora E. Reading vs. L. S. Reading. Order to show cause continued to Jan. 10th.

Elsie Simon vs. L. Simon. Demurrer overruled. Defendant allowed 10 days to answer. Motion for maintenance, etc., continued to January 10th.

E. O. Lindblom vs. M. Sheehan, et al. Motion to vacate judgment submitted.

P. H. McEvoy vs. County of San Mateo. Demurrer continued to January 10th.

A. Barsaglia vs. M. Cunha. Demurrer continued to January 10th.

Mary H. Burr vs. Albert Terrence. Order to show cause continued to January 10th.

Nell Ryan vs. John J. Ryan. Interlocutory decree of divorce granted.

BUILDERS' CONTRACTS—

O. C. Holt agrees to do the painting on the new school building at Colma for the board of trustees of the Jefferson school district in 85 days for \$485. Fred Warden agrees to do the painting on the new school building at Daly City for the board in 85 days for \$500.

MARRIAGE LICENSES—

Claire E. Woland, aged 26, Fresno, and Florence H. Cornelius, aged 18, Stockton.

Lloyd L. Gibbins, aged 26, and Clara Rose Crandall, aged 18, both of Oakland.

David Young, aged 42, and Mae Offenbacher, aged 34, both of San Francisco.

Fred L. Klutts, aged 34, San Francisco, and Clara A. Jess, aged 33, Daly City.

Albert Henry Crocker, aged 31, Stockton, and Etta Rude, aged 24, Paso Robles.

John Louis Barnette, aged 32, and Mabel E. Anderson, aged 18, both of Palo Alto.

Henry Honnet, aged 27, San Francisco, and Rose Halleran, aged 21, Daly City.

A free dance will be given in the American Bowling Alleys to the rear of Shröder's pool parlors this evening. Jazz orchestra. Come and have a good time.

BROKER FILES PETITION ON ESTATE OF DEAD WIFE

Anthony C. Hellman, San Francisco stock and bond broker, who lives at Redwood City, filed a petition in the superior court yesterday for letters of administration on the estate of his wife, Mrs. Belle J. Hellman, who died in the Hulings hospital December 18 from injuries received when struck by an automobile driven by Harvey H. Skinner of Burlingame. The petition states that the estate is worth about \$30,000 and consists of the home near Redwood City, worth \$12,500, a piece of land at the junction of the King's mountain and Greer roads, and some jewelry and personal belongings. The heirs are the husband and two sons, Joseph A. and Richard H. Hellman.

MENLO PARK NEWS OF ALL SORTS

Doings at Peninsula Garden Spot As Told in Breezy Style By Our Reporters

On December 26, 1917, the stork left a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Meincke, nee De Nike, of Menlo Heights. Thomas Carleton has entered the State Normal school at San Jose to take a full course in manual training. He intends to become a teacher of this art after graduation. He is a graduate of the Sequoia high school at Redwood City.

Miss Ruth Spence gave a barn dance at her home on Glenwood avenue Tuesday evening to her many friends. The event was an enjoyable affair. The feature of the evening was the splendid refreshments served by the pretty hostess.

Martin Sullivan has leased a portion of his property on Santa Cruz and Crane avenues to the Moxey Realty Company of Redwood City. A large skating rink is to be constructed on the property. Other amusement places will also be established there.

Harry B. Morey and Sons are busily engaged on a big contract at South San Francisco. They are constructing a large oil reservoir for the Pacific Steel Company. It is to contain 800,000 gallons and will cost \$20,000. The big reservoir will not be completed until February first.

J. H. O'Keefe has leased his cottage on Oak Grove avenue to Colonel Jones of the Twenty-third regiment which will arrive from the Presidio today. Mr. O'Keefe has also rented a portion of his block on El Camino Real to a San Francisco party for a shooting gallery, which will be opened in about two weeks.

Parties from Vallejo have leased the property on Santa Cruz avenue and will at once begin the construction of a large skating rink. It is to be one of the largest in the state and is to be strictly modern and conducted in a manner that the most fastidious may come and enjoy an evening of skating.

Miss Skeele of Redwood City and Mrs. Henry Ward Brown of Colma have rented the MacBain house on Mills avenue. Mrs. Brown is the chairman of the child's committee of the State Recreation Committee and desires to be near Camp Fremont where much of her work will be. She is to set for the counties of Santa Clara and San Mateo.

The Maloney block is much improved by the erection of a building containing four cozy stores. The work is being done by E. S. Mason, a contractor and builder of San Francisco, but now established in Menlo Park. Mr. Mason will always be prepared to give estimates on all work. He guarantees the best of service in the building line.

W. A. Carnduff yesterday received a letter from his two sons who are in the army. Edgar was recently quarantined at a camp at Washington, D. C., while on his way to France. He expects to be at the front in a very short time. Wilbur is on the Canadian coast doing special work for the government in getting out a high grade of lumber for the manufacture of airplanes.

Thursday the formal announcement of the engagement of Miss Mabel Lund, formerly of Menlo Park, but for some time a resident of Palo Alto, to L. McClellan was made. Miss Lund is the popular chief bookkeeper for Frazer and Company of the College town. Mr. McClellan is a Palo Alto young-man. He is a U. S. naval training station at San Pedro. When the cruel war is over there will be a happy wedding at Palo Alto.

The new theatre will probably be formally opened on Saturday evening, January 12th, although no definite plans have been arranged for that evening. It is the hope of the owners of the play house to throw open the door on that date with a master performance. The opening will be an historic event for Menlo Park. The theatre has a seating capacity of 1,400, is well arranged and one of the most commodious theatres on the peninsula.

Alexander Beltramo has arrived from Camp Lewis having been rejected by the army physician for physical defects. He has been in the camp for the past three months and enjoyed the out-door life. He regrets having been sent home. Mr. Beltramo says it rains almost constantly and is very cold at the camp. The government is doing every thing possible for the men to make them comfortable and happy. The food is of the very best, there is also plenty of clothing. All the men are in good spirits and are anxious to get into action at the front in France.

The new rural delivery system of the local postoffice went into effect on the first of the month. Postmaster E. J. Crane has appointed Charles Gilcrest of North Palo Alto temporary carrier. He is giving general satisfaction and it is hoped he will be retained permanently. The civil service examination will be held at Redwood City on January 12th. The highest applicant on the list will secure the coveted position. The new rural delivery covers a territory of 35 miles and includes North Palo Alto, Rohnymede, Atherton, North Fair Oaks, Stanford Park and University Heights. Mail is to be delivered to these places once a day.

WRITER IN NORWEGIAN PAPER TELLS OF GERMANY'S CONDITION

The Norwegian journal, "Morgenbladet", the leading newspaper in Norway of the 24th of October, 1917, contains the following account given by a traveller just returned from Germany and was interpreted by a local resident, who is a subscriber for the paper:

"After a recent visit to Germany I can easily understand why the Germans object to the arrival of foreign visitors. I resided at one time for several years in Germany and until within a few years ago I have often visited there, but this time it was like coming to a strange and unknown country. True, that the buildings stood where I had located them before, and the streets were as clean and straight as ever, but otherwise everything appeared changed. The streets were almost bare of automobiles, and carriages drawn by horses were even more rarely seen. During my stay I only saw three or four dogs, all carefully kept on the leash and not a single cat. I take it that the dogs had been turned into sausages and the cats—well? It was said that jackrabbits had been recently served in a variety of styles on the tables of the wealthier families. The few horses I saw were mere skeletons and their backs looked like razors. Their only gait was a walk, as they were unable to make any greater exertion, a weakness which they shared with human beings in general.

In fact, it was the people who presented the greatest change and made one wonder whether he was really in Germany. They were all lank and lean with furrowed faces and slow in movement, no loud talk, no ringing laughter—all the German vivacity gone.

As I walked down the street, people would turn and look after me, as if I had been some strange apparition. For long they had not seen a human being well nourished. I called at the office of a friend of

mine, a leading merchant and one of Germany's wealthiest men. He invited me to lunch at one of the principal restaurants, not a very large place, but one catering to the most select customers. The first course was fish, then followed beans, the common kind of beans that were formerly fed to the hogs to fatten them.

The meal closed with strawberries—plenty of berries but no cream. We had also bread with our lunch, "Schwartzbrot" (Pumpernickel) with a taste suggestive of sawdust or ground bark.

As a matter of fact people go hungry. Not only are they on short rations, but they actually get sick for the want of sufficient food. Care is taken that infants receive milk, and men and women within certain age limits bear the conditions fairly well, but young people still growing suffer much, as do those of advanced age, and among people over sixty the mortality is very great. I spoke to an old acquaintance whom I had known as a robust and healthy man. He is now past sixty. He looked emaciated and his movements were slow and labored. He told me he had already suffered a stroke as a reminder of what he might expect, "but what matters?" Germany must survive, even though her children must pay the death toll.

The soldiers look well. They receive the food necessary for their sustenance and are even able at times to send some of it to those at home, who are starving. The scarcity of fats is the greatest drawback from which Germany is suffering. She has never been able to produce the necessary fats for consumption herself, not even approximately, and now all her economy as well as her scientific genius is being taxed for conservation and new discovery. For technical purposes a considerable quantity of fats is now extracted from the sewers, from the dead, etc.

Stork Visits Belmont Home.

On January 2, 1918, a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Emmett of Belmont. Mrs. Emmett before her marriage was Miss Amy Lopenman and was principal of the Belmont grammar school. She was an extremely popular teacher. The proud father is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Emmett, pioneer residents of Belmont. The little miss has been named Amy Louise.

Menlo Thursday Night Dance Popular

The Thursday night dances at the Hall of the Nativity are very popular always drawing a big crowd. The largest attendance of the season was had at the dance on Thursday evening. The hall was packed to capacity. Next Thursday evening the ladies promise something special in the way of refreshments. They are not telling what they intend to serve but from a few words dropped it may be taken for a certainty that those who attend on that occasion will be well pleased with supper.

Petitions Court to Establish Birth

Louis Nava, of Colma, by his attorney Joseph J. Bullock, has filed his petition in the superior court of this county praying for a decree establishing the fact and date of his birth. His petition alleges that he was born in Italy on October 8, 1885, and that through failure of a proper certificate of his birth, his correct age has never been definitely determined. The petition will be heard on January 17, 1918.

Coastside Resort Proprietor Sued

Joseph J. Bullock as attorney for Filomena Tomie has commenced an action in the superior court against her husband, John Tomie, the proprietor of the hotel and coastside summer resort known as Princeton Beach Inn, many specific acts of extreme cruelty are alleged. Tomie is reported to be quite wealthy. The parties were married in Suisun in 1912.

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